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The question now is, Has Montana three semitors or only one?

The Boer war appears to be ended to about the same extent as the war in the Philippines.

Hetty Green says she never made more than \$200,000 in one day, but then Hetty is only 85. Washington Post: Both political par-

ties are utilizing the trust question for turuling purposes. From the way things are going in South Africa it looks as though Webster

Davis will soon be out of a job. The real work ahead of the Democratic party is an equitable adjustment

of the Kansas City hotel rates. If the Oregon election results in the triumph of your party it indicates the

Among the gentlemen appointed to positions in Porto Rico by the president yesterday there is a notable absence of

profitably abandon the field until the situation improves and give their attention for a while to much needed work here at home.

This is the season when the sight of a spring chicken on sale makes a man's children loom up in his imagination like so many hungry giants, and an army of them in number.

As though Mr. Pulitzer did not have trouble enough already with the impending nomination of Bryan, somebody has suggested placing Wm. R. Hearst on the ticket with the Nebraskan. This is enough to drive the World over to McEnley.

An expert in financial statistics says that the lorses by business failures in the last ten years in the United States smount to \$1,800,000,000, which is more than twice the amount of the country's circulating medium. In the same time

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and passenger rates are going down and that the United States has much lower railroad rates than any other country in the world. Probably the lowcost of freight transportation on American railroads has much to do with bringing about and maintaining prosperous conditions. This is conspicuously the fact when it comes to assembling raw materials for transformation into manufactured products. The exportation of such products at a profitable price depends upon the ability to produce them cheaply.

The hopeful outlook is still further brightened by the prospects of good crops throughout the country and the prevaling feeling of confidence among the people.

TRADE FOLLOWING THE FLAG.

Exports from the United States to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Hawaiian, Philippine and Samoan Islands will reach \$45,000,000 in the fiscal year which ends with the present month, and will as in any year of our commerce with those islands except in the years 1892-3 and 4 when reciprocity greatly in be more than three times as much as creased our exports to Cuba and Porto

To Cuba the total for the fiscal year seems likely to be fully \$25,000,000, against \$7,520,000 in the fiscal year 1896, and \$24,157,000 in the great reciprocity year 1892, when exports to that island were more than double those of five years earlier. To Porto Rico, the exports of the year will be in round terms \$2,600,000, against an average of \$2,750,000 in the reciprocity years 1892, 1893 and 1894, when exports to that island were double those of earlier years. To the Hawalian Islands the total for the year will be about \$15,000,000, or five times as much as in 1893, nearly four times as much as in 1896, and

more than double the total for 1898. To the Philippines the total for 1900 will be about \$2,500,000, or more than in the entire 15 years since 1885, the date at which the first record of our exports to the Philippines was made by the treasury bureau of statistics; To the Samoan Islands the exports of the year will be about \$125,000, or nearly as much as in all the years since 1896, at which date the official records of our exports to those islands began.

On the import side, Cuba begins to show something of herold-time strength as an exporting Island, as the total lmports into the United States from Cuba for the full year will show a total of 31 million dollars, against 15 millions in 1898 and 1814 millions in 1897, though they still are less than half the average for the reciprocity years 1892, 1893 and 1894, when our imports from that island averaged over 75 million dollars per annum. From Porto Rico the imports of the year will be \$1,350,000 which is less than the total for any preceding year since 1880, and is presumably due to the destruction by last year's tor-nado of the crops which supply Porto Rico's chief articles of export. From the Hawaiian Islands the imports for the full fiscal year will be 21 million dollars, or double the average annual importation for the period prior to 1896, and 20 per cent higher than in any preceding year, while from the Philippines, despite the war conditions which reduce producing and exporting power, the imports will be larger than in any

year since 1894. GLOBE SIGHTS.

[From the Atchison Globe.] We have never seen a double-turreted monitor, but somehow we imagine that the short-cake served in restaurants looks like one.

When a girl pins a rose on her dress, the bugs on it have lots of fun by crawling out one at a time and scaring her to death.

About all the impression an elecutionist leaves on an audience is a re-gret that such a good memory ian't put election of your candidate for president to better purposes.

The girl who puts on her prettlest clothes and starts out to catch a hus-band, should be warned that that is what her mother did once, and see how

A girl can't bleach her hair and keep it dark.

The favorite game of the young father

There's many a slip 'twixt the cup and

Consistency may be a jewel, but most women prefer diamonds.

Clothing may give a fellow an air of refinement, but it's all put on. The cream of society is not always formed from the milk of human kind-

A grass widow is a woman who has succeeded in getting unmarried.

The promising amateur musician should promise not to play any more. If speech is silver and silence is where does the greenback come

Some people put on so many airs that their associates invariably catch cold.

dozen times.

It's strange that people render hom-age to a great man when he dies, but not when he is born.

If it is true that the best noses point heavenward, the girl with a snub nose has no cause for complaint. When a physician is unable to locate

the cause of a patient's illness he pro-ceeds to discover a new species of mi-crobe. Last Thursday an Ohio man ran

Headache

Is often a warning that the liver is torpid or inactive. More serious troubles may follow. For a prompt, efficient cure of Headache and all liver troubles, take

Hood's Pills

While they rouse the liver, restornfull, regular action of the bowels, they do not gripe or pain, do not irritate or inflame the internal organs, but have a positive tonic effect. 25c. at all druggists or by mail of C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

BAKER GETS JOHNSON.

Nominee For Legislature Pronounced Involved in Controversy With an El For Present Senator.

The United States senatorial issue has been made in Johnson and Miami county, and the Baker forces have triumphed, the nominee for the legislature, T. L. Hogue, of Olathe, coming out squarely for Mr. Baker's re-election

on. This district has been the scene of This district has been the scene of considerable of a struggle during the past three months, the war first break-ing out in Miami county, where T. T. Kelly, the secretary of the Republican state committee, recently elected, went into the county, his home, and made a fight for J. R. Burton.

The Burton forces lost, and those who had won attempted to force the defeat of Kelly for secretary at the meeting of the state committee. This, however, failed.

It is proposed to have a special train to take the Twentieth regiment members to the reunion. BAID OF TRAMPS.

Barton County People Fear One and Ask For a Justice of Peace.

Fearing that tramps and "hoboes" may descend upon the community, citizens of Independent township, Barton county, have petitioned Governor Stanley to appoint a justice of the peace for the township. The office has been vacant since January, but no such official was needed by the citizens in the transaction of their business, but the time is ripe for the annual tramp raid, and they are preparing for it.

In response to this petition the governor has appointed J. H. Hartman, of Claffin to the position. Fearing that tramps and "hoboes"

Piercy street.

The petitions ask that the pavement be of vitrified brick with a 30 foot roadway and the curb be made of Fort Scott blue sandstone.

The petition was referred to the committee on streets and walks, and reported favorably with little delay. A resolution was adopted declaring the paving a necessity and the mayor appointed the following appraisers: H. J. Bevelle, T. L. Ross and M. M. Hale.

APPEAL FOR HARMONY Put Forth by Maryland Democrats in State Convention.

Baltimore, June 5.-The Democrats of Maryland in state convention held here Experience is a pretty dear teacher today selected a delegation to Kansas when it comes in the form of a handsome schoolma'm.

A truly polite man always listens with interest to the story he has heard a declares that Wm. J. Bryan is the interest to the story he has heard a declares that Wm. J. Bryan is the interest to the story he has heard a declares that wm. J. Bryan is the interest to the story he has heard a declares that wm. J. Bryan is the interest to the story he has heard a delegation to Kansas City and adopted a platform which leaves the delegates uninstructed but declares that wm. J. Bryan is the interest to the story he has heard a delegation to Kansas City and adopted a platform which leaves the delegates uninstructed but declares that the story he has heard a delegation to Kansas City and adopted a platform which leaves the delegates uninstructed but declares that of the story he has heard a delegate of the story heard a delegate of the story heard a delegate of the story heard a de declares that Wm. J. Bryan is the choice of Democrats both in the counties and in the state of Maryland. Imperialism is condemned, a large standing army is deplored and it is suggested that the Democrats everywhere lay aside their differences on the currency operation and units in an effort to view. question and unite in an effort to stay the overwhelming progress of nudical errors in regard to the nature of gov-ernment inaugurated by President Mc-Kiniey and the Republican party."

SWALLOWED BY THE TRUST Joliet Steel Company Goes Out of Business.

Chicago, June 5.—A certificate of dissolution of partnership in the Joliet Sizel company was filed with the recorder of Cook county today. The instrument states that the debts of the corporation have been discharged and the assets divided. The certificate states that the decision to dissolve the corporation was reached at the stockholders' meeting held May 31. Secretary Green signed the certificate which is attested by President Sim F. Steels. The Joliet Steel company owned several large mills at Joliet, III., and was controlled by the Illinois Steel company. None of the officials would state the reasons for dissolving the old company. It is supposed, however, to have been merely a legal formality.

Ice Cream and Strawberry Festival. Prof. Nelson will make an address at the Swedish Lutheran church, corner Pourth and Tyler, strawberry and ed-cream festival, on the parsonage lawn, Thursday evening. Friends invited.

BENT MURDOCK'S TROUBLE | Truth Stranger than Fiction!

El Dorado, June 5.—T. B. Murdock, editor of the Dally and Weekly Republican, is involved in a controversy with the Farmers and Merchants National bank. He devotes two columns editorial to the bank in which he says:

"Friday we received notice, from the Farmers and Merchants National bank, through Cashier Benson, to get out of our home in ten days. Why didn't he make it ten hours? This is the first notice or intimation of any kind that we have had that we are to be thrown into the street.

Dorado Bank.

"We came to El Dorado 30 years ago, with an Indian pony and a buckboard. We long since lost both, but still have a graveyard lot, unmortgaged and untaxed—not big enough to farm and we are not yet ready to occupy it.

"The Farmers and Merchants National bank lives in a class house; and

Washington, June 5.-There was a iotous scene in the house this afternoon during a clash between Mr. Lentz (O.) and Mr. Hull (Is.), growing out of a bitter attack on General Corbin by the former. The matter culminated when Mr. Lentz intimated that General Corbin appointed the sons of congressmen in the army to help along his promotion. Mr. Hull frankly admitted that he had a son in the army. He aroused his side to cheers when he pro-claimed that he thanked God he had sons who could fight for the country.

"I thank God," said he, "that I am

"I thank God," said he, "that I am not one of those anonymous creatures who are unable to perpetuate their species." Cheer after cheer greeted this shot, and when Mr. Lentz replied that if he had a son he would be able to support himself, the hall of the house was sibilant with hisses. The confusion was richous and order was with

N. ROBBINS, Manager of the Labor Exchange Grocery, 300 Knn. Ave., says: I have been greatly troubled with my eyes for the past 15 years, at times being unable to work or read. I sought a well-known Topeka oculist for relief. He dilated my pupils in the operation of testing my eyes. I was so blind for several days that I could not see to get around. The glasses he fitted for me I could not wear under any circumstances. I then tried several opticians on Kansus avenue, with the same unsuccessful results. I finally tried Dr. Littlefeld, who fitted me in less than 29 minutes with a perfectiting pair of glasses which quickly relieved me of the severe pain in my head, also the inflamed condition of the eye-lids occasioned by the imperfection of my vision. I cheerfully recommend his work to any one with eye trouble.

Another Big Decline in Iron is Predicted.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 5.-The Chronicle-Telegraph says today that a general drop in prices of Bessemer and foundry iron has taken place this week and that a meeting of the Besseme Purnace association is to be held in Cleveland on Saturday. It is stated on reliable authority the price for the balance of the year will be fixed at \$20, valley furnaces, and that this rate will be positively maintained. As the prices on iron and steel products are founded on the rates for Bessemer pig iron, it says a reduction in all lines of finished products may be expected. Bessemer steel billets are selling at \$28 a ton this week, a drop of \$7 since the opening of the year.

Mary Johnston.

OTTAWA PROTESTS.

Objects to Transfer of Santa Pe Official.

A committee from the Commercial club of Ottawa called on General Manager Mudge, of the Santa Fe. today to discuss the recent Santa Fe changes by which the headquarters of Master Mechanic Mitchell were moved from Ottawa to Chanute. The committee also had the idea that the recent reductions in the car force at Ottawa was due to a transfer of car works to Topeka and other points.

Mr. Mudge told the committee that the removal of Master Mechanic Mitchell was done to facilitate the handling of mechanical work over his increased territory. He also assured the members that the reduction in car force was due to a scarcity of bad order cars and that similar reductions had been made at all other shop points.

REPUBLICAN GAINS.

A SECOND STATE OF STA lines took the same step and the com-plete demoralization of rates on west-bound business originating in eastern territory is now an assured fact.

SANTA FE DIVIDEND

Directors Declare 21-2 Per Cent. on Preferred.

New York, June, 5 .- The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad company directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of 216 per cent on the com-

New York, June 5.—The examination in the case of C. F. Neely, charged with stealing \$86.00 of Cuban postal funds set for today before United States Commis-sioner Shields was adjourned until tomor-row. The delay is owing to the issuance of requisition papers for Neely's removal to Havana by Governor Roesevelt.

Washington, June 5.—The nomination of Gen. Joseph Wheeler to be a brigadier general in the regular army has been prepared at the war department by the president's order and will be presented to the senate as soon as the nomination of Gen. Otis to be a major general has been disposed of.

Joe Wheeler's Case.

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Solid vestibule trains.

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"Six Little Tailors" in Trouble. "Six Little Tailors" in Trouble.

Boston, June 5.—Edward Jacobs, of New York, today was appointed by Judge Coit, in the United States circuit court, auxiliary receiver of the "six little tailors," a co-partnership consisting of the plaintiff, doing busicess in Chicago, Washington, Pittsburg, New York and Boston. Dissolution of the co-partnership and an accounting was asked for. The receivers bond was fixed at \$3,000, and he was authorized to run the business.

LOCAL MENTION.

The city board of health has decinred the _____ at 1100 West Twelfth street a missure and has requested the council to order it filled up.

All the parks at street intersections in Potwin will be circular. The council has refused to allow the one at Judge Clark's place made octagonal as requested.

Councilman Mergan announced at the meeting Monday evening that the reason he voted against the suspension of the Sunday clossing order was because the enforcement of ordinances is the prerogative of the mayor.

The city council has allowed ex-City

of the mayor.

The city council has allowed ex-City Engineer Barnes \$100 for the use of a horse while acting as city engineer. The bill was overlooked at the meeting two weeks ago and was allowed Monday tening. Councilmen Elliott and Snattinger opposed the allowance.

Gained Pounds

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-I was very thin and my friends thought I was in oonsumption.

"Had continual headaches, backache and falling of uterus, and my eyes were affected.

"Every one noticed how poorly I locked and I was advised to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"One hottle relieved me, and after taking eight bottles am now a healthy woman; have gained in weight from 95 pounds to 140; everyone asks what makes me so stout."-MRS. A. TOLLE, 1946 HIIton St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Pinkham has fifty thousand such letters from grateful women.

A NEW RULING

In Regard to the Witnessing of a Will

Chicago, June 4.-In a decision an-Chicago, June 4.—in a decision announced today by Judge Gibbons in reversal of the jadgment of the probate court, the validity of the will of the late Leonard Gould is sustained.

The will, dated 1898, bequeaths \$55,000 to the deceased's two brothers and \$15,000 in minor bequests. The following institutions are residuary legates. 100,000 is given: The American Sunday school mission. The American board of commission. given: The American Sunday school ins-sion. The American board of commission-ers of foreign missions; the Chicago theo-logical seminary; the Chicago foundling home, the Young Men's Christian asso-ciation and the Illinois manual training school form.

fation and the library school form. If sustained by the supreme court, Judge Gibbon's ruling will form a precedent. In effect the decision holds that the maker of a will need not sign the instrument in the presence of the witnesses to the decision and the witnesses need not be informed that the instrument is a will.

SPARING OF HER REMEDY. [From the Chicago Times-Herald.] There is at least one woman in Kenwood who believes thoroughly in the efficacy of prayer. About a year ago her husband engaged in a business venture that looked rather uncertain. But his wife had strong faith that it would turn out wall.

Glorious News.

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give her no help; but now her health is excellent." Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, sait rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowsis, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only De cts. Sold by Waggoner, druggist, 731 Kansas avenue. Guaranteed.

DENVER, COLORADO SPRINGS. PUEBLO AND RETURN, \$24.

Via the Santa Fe. Tickets on sale June 1st; stopover allowed at Colorado common points,

Mrs. E. W. Early, Marion, Ind., who has been ill for years, writes, "I was tired, could not sleep or eat, and was rapinly going into decline. Doctor called it am now in perfect health and give all the credit to Begg's Blood Purifier. R. W. Squires, Pharmacist, 732 Kansas avenue.

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